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Problem 1 of 4 (20 pts) Answers without solution steps clearly shown will not be given any credit.

The specific heat of water is c_w and its density is ρ_w . You have V_H volume of hot water at T_H and you are using a cold lake of volume V_C temperature T_C as sink. Calculate the maximum useful work that can be extracted using the concept of entropy $dS = dQ/T$. Note that the change in the temperature of T_H is **not** small.

a) (5 pts) Consider you use a heat transfer process to bring the temperature of the hot water and the lake from an arbitrary initial low temperature T_i to T_H and T_i to T_C using quasistatic processes separately. Use the concept of specific heat, $dQ = McdT$, to calculate the total entropy change in the hot water and lake system.

$$\Delta S_{\text{hot water}} = \int_{T_i}^{T_H} \frac{dQ}{T} = \rho_w V_H c_w \int_{T_i}^{T_H} \frac{dT}{T} = \rho_w V_H c_w \ln \frac{T_H}{T_i} \quad \Delta S_{\text{lake}} = \rho_w V_C c_w \ln \frac{T_C}{T_i}$$

$$\Delta S = \Delta S_{\text{hot water}} + \Delta S_{\text{lake}} = \rho_w c_w (V_H \ln \frac{T_H}{T_i} + V_C \ln \frac{T_C}{T_i})$$

b) (5 pts) Now consider you use a heat transfer process to bring the temperature of the lake+hot water from an arbitrary initial low temperature T_i to $T_C + \delta$

$$\Delta S_{\text{lake + hot}} = \int_{T_i}^{T_C + \delta} \frac{dQ}{T} = \rho_w (V_C + V_H) \int_{T_i}^{T_C + \delta} \frac{dT}{T} = \rho_w (V_C + V_H) \ln \frac{T_C + \delta}{T_i} c_w$$

$$\Delta S = \Delta S_{\text{hot water+lake}} = c_w \rho_w (V_C + V_H) \ln \frac{T_C + \delta}{T_i}$$

c) (5 pts) Calculate δ if the conditions for extracting maximum useful work is satisfied in the change of entropy. (tip: $(M_H + M_C)c_w \ln(T_C + \delta) \approx (M_H + M_C)c_w \ln T_C + \frac{(M_H + M_C)c_w \delta}{T_C}$ where M_H is the mass of the hot water and M_C is the mass of the lake)

Maximum useful work \rightarrow reversible process \rightarrow entropy is the same for a) and b)
 (nothing is lost to "friction")

$$\rho_w c_w (V_H \ln \frac{T_H}{T_i} + V_C \ln \frac{T_C}{T_i}) = \rho_w (V_C + V_H) \ln \frac{T_C + \delta}{T_i} c_w$$

use tip

$$(V_C + V_H) \ln T_C + \frac{(V_C + V_H) \delta}{T_C} = V_H \ln T_H + V_C \ln T_C$$

$$\delta = \frac{T_C}{V_C + V_H} (V_H \ln T_H - V_C \ln T_C)$$

$$\delta = \frac{V_H}{V_C + V_H} T_C \ln \frac{T_H}{T_C}$$

d) (5 pts) Use the first law of thermodynamics ($\Delta E = Q - W$) to calculate the maximum useful work that can be extracted.

$$Q_H = W + Q_C \quad \Delta E = 0 \text{ (reversible)}$$

$$W = \rho_w V_H c_w T_H + \rho_w V_C c_w T_C - (V_H + V_C) \rho_w c_w (T_C + \delta)$$

$$= \rho_w c_w (V_H T_H + V_C T_C - V_H T_C - V_C T_C - \frac{(V_H + V_C) V_H T_C \ln \frac{T_H}{T_C}}{(V_H + V_C)})$$

$$= \rho_w c_w V_H (T_H - T_C - T_C \ln \frac{T_H}{T_C}) \quad W = \rho_w c_w V_H (T_H - T_C - T_C \ln \frac{T_H}{T_C})$$

Problem 2 of 4 (20 pts) Answers without solution steps clearly shown will not be given any credit.

a) (10 pts) Consider two successive Lorentz transformations of the three frames of reference K_0, K_1, K_2 . K_1 moves parallel to the x axis of K_0 with velocity v , and K_2 moves parallel to the x axis of K_1 with speed v . Given an object moving in the x direction with speed v_2 in K_2 , derive the formula for the transformation of its velocity from K_2 to K_0 in terms of $\beta_0 = v_0/c$, $\beta_2 = v_2/c$ and $\beta = v/c$.

$$V_1 = \frac{v_2 + v}{1 + v_2 v/c^2} \Rightarrow \beta_1 = \frac{\beta_2 + \beta}{1 + \beta_2 \beta} \quad \text{also} \quad \beta_0 = \frac{\beta_1 + \beta}{1 + \beta_1 \beta} = \frac{\frac{\beta_2 + \beta}{1 + \beta_2 \beta} + \beta}{1 + \frac{\beta_2 + \beta}{1 + \beta_2 \beta} \beta}$$

$$= \frac{\beta_2 + \beta + \beta + \beta_2 \beta^2}{1 + \beta_2 \beta + \beta_2 \beta + \beta^2} = \frac{\beta_2 (1 + \beta^2) + 2\beta}{2\beta_2 \beta + (1 + \beta^2)}$$

$$\beta_0 = \frac{\beta_2 + 2\beta/(1 + \beta^2)}{1 + 2\beta_2 \beta/(1 + \beta^2)}$$

b) (10 pts) Now generalize a) to $n + 1$ frames moving with the same speed v along x relative to one another. Derive the formula for a Lorentz transformation from K_n to K_0 if the speed of the object in K_n is also v using the concept of "rapidity" ($\beta_i = \tanh w_i$) and the relationship

$$\tanh(w_1 + w_2) = \frac{\tanh w_1 + \tanh w_2}{1 + \tanh w_1 \tanh w_2}$$

β_2 to $\beta_0 \rightarrow$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\beta_2 + \beta}{1 + \beta_2 \beta} = \frac{\tanh w_2 + \tanh w}{1 + \tanh w_2 \tanh w} = \tanh(w_2 + w) = \tanh(w_1)$$

$$\beta_0 = \frac{\tanh w_1 + \tanh w}{1 + \tanh w_1 \tanh w} = \tanh(w_1 + w) = \tanh(\underbrace{w_2 + w + w}_{(n+1)w})$$

generalise $\rightarrow \beta_0 = \tanh(w_n + w_{n-1} + \dots + w_1 + w) = \tanh[(n+1) \tanh^{-1} \beta]$

$$\beta_0 = \tanh[(n+1) \tanh^{-1} \beta]$$

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Problem 3 of 4 (30 pts) Answers without solution steps clearly shown will not be given any credit.

a) (10 pts) Write down the time independent Schrödinger equation for simple harmonic oscillator where a restoring force $F = -Cx$ acts on an object with mass m resulting in a potential of $U(x) = \frac{1}{2}Cx^2$.

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{2}Cx^2\psi = E\psi$$

b) (20 pts) Use the solution to the above equation $\psi_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n!}} \frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar} e^{-Bx^2} H_n(\sqrt{2B}x)$ where H_n are the physicists' Hermite polynomials $H_n(z) = (-1)^n e^{z^2} \frac{d^n}{dz^n}(e^{-z^2})$ and $\omega = \sqrt{C/m}$ to calculate the ground state energy ($n=0$) in terms of ω (tip: what should be B to satisfy the Schrödinger equation?). What is the difference between the ground state of quantum harmonic oscillator and the classical harmonic oscillator?

$$H_0 = (-1)^0 e^{z^2} e^{-z^2} = 1 \quad \frac{d^2\psi_0}{dx^2} = 2(2Bx^2 - 1)ABe^{-Bx^2}$$

$$\psi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar} e^{-Bx^2}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [2(2Bx^2 - 1)ABe^{-Bx^2}] + \frac{1}{2}Cx^2 A e^{-Bx^2} = EA e^{-Bx^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{\hbar^2 B}{m} - E_0\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}C - \frac{2\hbar^2 B^2}{m}\right)x^2 = 0$$

$$E_0 = \frac{\hbar^2 B}{m} \quad \frac{1}{2}C = \frac{2\hbar^2 B^2}{m} \Rightarrow B = \frac{\sqrt{mC}}{2\hbar} = \frac{m}{2\hbar} \sqrt{\frac{C}{m}} = \frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}$$

$$E_0 = \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{m\omega}{2\hbar} = \frac{1}{2}\hbar \sqrt{\frac{C}{m}} = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega$$

Classical harmonic oscillator has minimum energy 0



$$E_0 = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega$$

$$E_0 - E_{\text{classical}} = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega$$

Problem 4 of 4 (30 pts) Answers without solution steps clearly shown will not be given any credit.

A particle of mass m is contained in a one-dimensional impenetrable box extending from $x = -L/2$ to $x = +L/2$. The particle is in its ground state.

a) (10 pts) Find the eigenfunctions of the ground state and the first excited state (notice x is **not starting at 0**)

$\psi(x) = A \sin kx + B \cos kx$ 0:  $\psi_0 = A \sin(\frac{\pi}{L}x) + B \cos(\frac{\pi}{L}x)$
 $\psi(-L/2) = 0 \rightarrow A \sin(-\frac{kL}{2}) + B \cos(-\frac{kL}{2}) = 0$ 1:  $\psi_0(L/2) = 0 \rightarrow A = 0$ (since $\sin(\pi/2) \neq 0$)
 $\psi(L/2) = 0 \rightarrow A \sin(\frac{kL}{2}) + B \cos(\frac{kL}{2}) = 0$ $\psi_1 = A \sin(\frac{2\pi}{L}x) + B \cos(\frac{2\pi}{L}x)$
 $\psi_1(L/2) = 0 \rightarrow B = 0$ (since $\cos\pi \neq 0$)

$|\psi_0|^2 = B^2 \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \cos^2(\frac{\pi}{L}x) dx = \frac{B^2 L}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} (1 + \sin 2\theta) d\theta = \frac{B^2 L}{2}$ $\cos(\frac{kL}{2}) = 0 \rightarrow k = \frac{n\pi}{L}$
 $|\psi_1|^2 = 1 = A^2 \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \sin^2(\frac{2\pi}{L}x) dx \rightarrow A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}}$ $B = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}}$

$\psi_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \cos \frac{\pi x}{L}$
 $\psi_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{L}$

b) (10 pts) The walls of the box are moved outward instantaneously to form a box extending from $x = -L$ to $x = +L$. Calculate the probability that the particle will stay in the ground state during this sudden expansion. (tip: the probability of transition from wavefunctions can be calculated as

$P_{0j} = |I_{0j}|^2$ where $I_{0j} = \int_a^b \psi'_j(x) \psi_0(x) dx$

$\frac{L}{2} \rightarrow L$ $\psi'_0(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \cos \frac{\pi x}{2L}$ $\psi'_1(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$
 $I_{00} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} dx \cos \frac{\pi x}{2L} \cos \frac{\pi x}{L} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} dx (\cos \frac{\pi x}{2L} + \cos \frac{3\pi x}{2L})$
 $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}L} \frac{4L}{\pi} (\sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \sin \frac{3\pi}{2} \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{4}{3\pi} (\sin \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{3\pi}{4}) = \frac{8}{3\pi}$

$P_{00} = \left(\frac{8}{3\pi}\right)^2$

c) (10 pts) Calculate the probability that the particle jumps from the initial ground state to the first excited final state.

$I_{01} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} dx \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} \cos \frac{\pi x}{L} = 0$ (parity)

$P_{01} = 0$